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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Barbara A. Soltz et al.) Group Art Unit: 1654
Serial No.: 09/973,263) Examiner: Maury A. Audet
Filed: October 9, 2001)
For: METHOD FOR MAKING A LIGHT)
ENERGIZED TISSUE ADHESIVE)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

This Supplemental Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003. In that Office Action, the Examiner held Applicants' Amendment filed August 11, 2003 non-responsive allegedly for including claims that "[have] changed the subject matter of the invention" because language related to derivatized collagen was not included in the broadest claims. In

order to expedite prosecution of the present application, Applicants submit this Supplemental Amendment in which language related to derivatized collagen has been retained, and respectfully request that it be entered and fully considered by the Examiner. To clarify the status of the amendments, the amended claims below are presented as if the August 11, 2003 amendment had not yet been entered.

The period for response to the Office Action has been extended through January 19, 2004, by a request for extension of time and fee payment filed contemporaneously herewith. Please amend the above-captioned application, as follows: